REQUEST **FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

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| First Named Inventor Hajime KONDOU | |
| Group Art Unit 1713 | |
| Examiner Name Peter D. MULCAHY | |
| Matter Number Q83544 | |
| NATURAL RUBBER, RUBBER Title COMPOSITION AND PNEUMATIC TIRE | |

| This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. | | |
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| 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.11 | .4 | |
| a. ☑ Previously submitted i. ☑ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/r previously filed on August 17, 2007 ii. □ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief of iii. □ Other | r Reply Brief previously filed on | |
| b. ☑ Enclosed i. ☑ Amendment/Reply ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii.☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) iv. ☐ Petition for Extension of Time v. ☐ Other | | |
| 2. MISCELLANEOUS a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months b. Other | | |
| The statutory fee of \$790.00 is paid via EFS payments directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments transmittal letter is attached. | | |
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